

MAN IS ARRESTED IN ROOM OF HOTEL

Charged With Entering Apartment With Intent to Commit Robbery.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY CAMERON

Present Mayor of Petersburg Will Stand for Re-Election. Other News Notes.

The Times-Dispatch Bureau.
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Petersburg, Va., February 16.
E. W. Wilkerson, whose parents live in Prince George county, but who spends much of his time in the city, was this morning sent to the Hastings Court on the charge of entering the room of guests in the Chestfield Hotel, with intent to commit robbery. A week ago the room of a traveling salesman was entered, a fine ratchet was cut open, and jewelry and diamonds of the value of \$50 were stolen. Another robbery was subsequently committed. These thefts were kept quiet, with the expectation that the thief would return and be caught. Yesterday afternoon Wilkerson was found entering some of the rooms in the hotel and was caught in one of them. He got into them by means of the maid's keys, some of which were found in his possession. The maid had temporarily laid the bunch of keys aside, and could not find them when she went to get them. Wilkerson denies the charge of intent to rob, and there is no evidence to connect him with the robberies that had been committed. The police are making investigation of the case.

The Mayoralty Contest.
In response to a numerous signed petition of which he expresses appreciation, Mayor George Cameron, Jr., makes formal announcement of his candidacy for the office of Mayor. Mayor Cameron was elected by the Council to fill the unexpired term of the late Mayor William M. Jones, and he now comes before the people for regular election. His opponent for the position is R. Bolling Wilcox, a young attorney and president of the lower branch of the Council. Mr. Cameron was long a member of the Council and chairman of the Finance Committee.

It is believed that the people, at the spring municipal election, will pay more than usual attention to the election of members of the two branches of the Council, one-half of each body to be chosen.

Death of a Veteran.
Francis Mark Bell died this morning in his home on Terrace Avenue, after a long illness. He was seventy-five years old, and was a Confederate veteran and member of A. R. C. Camp No. 1. He is survived by his wife, three sons and two daughters. Mr. Bell came to Petersburg about five years ago from Chesterfield county.

Sudden Death of Citizen.
George W. Young, a well-known young citizen, died quite suddenly this morning about 10 o'clock at his home on Grove Avenue. He was thirty-four years old and leaves a widow and one daughter. Two sisters survive him. Mr. Traynor was a Spanish-American War veteran.

Death in Ettrick.
Mrs. Lella Virginia Rowlett, widow of J. W. Rowlett, died this morning at her home in Ettrick. She was thirty-seven years old, and is survived by five children and several sisters and brothers.

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her home in Ettrick. She was thirty-seven years old, and is survived by five children and several sisters and brothers.

Citizen III.
George W. Cardwell and W. H. Garrison, both well-known citizens of Petersburg, are the subjects of a bill introduced in the House of Representatives. They were pallbearers at the funeral of their friend, Littleton J. Drell, on Tuesday, and were taken sick immediately after the burial.

Personal and General.
Mrs. Nora L. Williams, wife of James Williams, who committed suicide yesterday afternoon by drinking carbolic acid, is thought to have committed the act while laboring under great mental stress. No inquest was deemed necessary.

Deaths.
Mrs. Roger A. Pryor, whose death occurred in New York yesterday, leaves many friends and some relatives in Petersburg. Among the latter is Mrs. Samuel W. Zimmerman, a granddaughter. Mr. B. Wesley Wells, who died in Lynchburg on Wednesday, was a former resident of Petersburg. He was a brother of Thomas H. Wells, of this city, and his wife was Miss Amy Steele, also of Petersburg.

Miss Lella Virginia Harrison and Roger Pryor B. Ockwell, both of Prince George county, were quietly married last evening in the parsonage of the Washington Street M. E. Church, Rev. Dr. Booker officiating.

Rev. S. C. Hatcher, vice-president of Randolph-Macon College, spent last night in this city as the guest of Rev. George E. Booker, D. D.

The net receipts of the lunch and supper given yesterday and last night by the Ladies' Memorial Association for the fund to make improvements at old Blanford Church, amounted to \$128.

The Pathways and Pathway Sisters of this city will attend divine service at the Washington Street M. E. Church Sunday night. A special sermon will be preached by Rev. Dr. Booker.

MISSION MEETING

Interdenominational Union in Session With Large Attendance.

With an attendance that overpowered the lecture-room of the Grace Street Presbyterian Church, the first meeting of the Interdenominational Missionary Union opened yesterday afternoon with Mrs. J. Calvin Stearns, president, in the chair. Reports of mission workers, mission methods and mission needs formed the theme of yesterday's session, one being held in the afternoon and one at night. The night meeting was conducted by the student volunteers for foreign mission work from the Union Theological Seminary, among the two medical colleges located in Richmond.

The meeting this morning at 10 o'clock will be featured with an address by Madame

Marie D'Aubigne, daughter of the famous French historian, who will speak on the subject of "Mission Work in France." She is well qualified to speak on this subject, having been prominently identified with the work of the London Society in her native country. Mrs. Langdon Mason will also deliver an address on "Mission Work Among the People." A conference on mission methods will follow the meeting.

The session yesterday afternoon was given over solely to the discussion of city missions. Miss Natalie Minor, of the Vesting and Miss Adelle Gentry, speaking on this work, outlined the work of this mission. Mrs. Collins Bennis gave an instructive lecture on mission work in Brazil.

The Interdenominational Missionary Union is composed of the various women's missionary societies of the Protestant churches of the city.

THE WEATHER.

Forecast. For Virginia—Increasing cloudiness, with probably rain Sunday and in extreme west portion Saturday; moderate temperature; moderate, variable winds.

For North Carolina—Increasing cloudiness with rain Sunday; moderate temperature; moderate, variable winds.

Special Local Data for Yesterday.

12 noon temperature	41
3 P. M. temperature	46
Maximum temperature	47
P. M. temperature	47
Mean temperature	43
Normal temperature	49
Deficiency in temperature	6
Precipitation in temperature	0.16
March 1, 1911	0.16
Accum. deficiency in temperature	4.36
Since January 1, 1912	4.36
Deficiency in rainfall since March 1, 1912	0.16
Accum. deficiency in rainfall since March 1, 1912	1.76
Local Observation S. P. M. Yesterday.	
Temperature	39
Humidity	39
Wind, direction	South
Wind, velocity	2
Weather	Clear

CONDITIONS IN IMPORTANT CITIES.

Place.	Ther.	W. T.	Weather.
Albany	42	32	Clear
Atlanta	44	36	Clear
Baltimore	40	30	Clear
Boston	40	30	Clear
Buffalo	40	30	Cloudy
Calcutta	42	32	Cloudy
Charleston	42	32	Cloudy
Chicago	42	32	Cloudy
Cincinnati	42	32	Cloudy
Cleveland	42	32	Cloudy
Denver	42	32	Cloudy
Detroit	42	32	Cloudy
Galveston	42	32	Cloudy
Hartford	42	32	Cloudy
Havana	42	32	Cloudy
Jacksonville	42	32	Cloudy
Kansas City	42	32	Cloudy
Louisville	42	32	Cloudy
Memphis	42	32	Cloudy
Montgomery	42	32	Cloudy
New Orleans	42	32	Cloudy
New York	42	32	Cloudy
Norfolk	42	32	Cloudy
Pittsburgh	42	32	Cloudy
Raleigh	42	32	Cloudy
St. Louis	42	32	Cloudy
St. Paul	42	32	Cloudy
San Francisco	42	32	Cloudy
Savannah	42	32	Cloudy
Spokane	42	32	Cloudy
Tampa	42	32	Cloudy
Washington	42	32	Cloudy
Winnipeg	42	32	Cloudy
Wynneville	42	32	Cloudy

MINIATURE ALMANAC.

February 17, 1917.

Sun rises... 6:58 Morning... 4:20

Sun sets... 5:49 Evening... 4:20

DISSOLVE CAUCUS WITHOUT ACTION

Democrats of House Avert Row by Agreeing to Do Nothing.

FIGHT OVER REDISTRICTING

Developed That Original Call Was for Joint Caucus. May Try Again.

Only by yielding to the efforts for party harmony put forth by Judge Martin Williams and John W. Stephenson did the majority of the Democrats of the House of Delegates last night avert a stormy session, which would have resulted in the hottest fight of the session. The caucus, which was called for the purpose of settling the congressional redistricting proposition, dissolved itself without transacting any business, doubts as to its legality having been raised. As it was, ill feeling was manifested by some of the members. The excitement, while suppressed, was evident, and indignant members held heated conversations following the dissolution.

Try Another Call.
An effort will be made this morning, it was stated, to call a caucus for next Tuesday night. Chairman Edwin P. Cox said positively after the meeting that he would not act of his own volition, and that he would issue a call only upon the signed petition of a majority of the Democrats of the House. There seems to be some doubt if this majority can be secured. Judge Williams, as Democratic floor leader, desires that a caucus be held. He knows of no redistricting ever accomplished in any State except by agreement among a majority of the members of the dominant party, and says it is always made a party matter. Complications over the situation arise every hour, and are influenced by political events, both recent and ancient.

Districts Are Changed.
The whole trouble arises over dissatisfaction on the part of Sixth District members with the redistricting bill as reported from the House Committee on Privileges and Elections. This measure provides that Halifax county be taken from the Sixth District and placed in the Fifth, and that Giles, Island and Tazewell be removed from the Sixth and put in the Fifth. No other district is affected. The idea is to make the Fifth District surely Democratic instead of exceedingly doubtful, which it is at present. The change, it is supposed, would also aid the Democrats of the Ninth by taking away a Republican majority estimated at from 400 to 500, aside from the strong financial and business influences which center in Lynchburg. The Ninth District delegation is understood to be solidly for the bill.

But the matter goes further, at least in the minds of many members. Some of the Sixth District people believe it to be a blow at Representative Carter Glass, by removing the center of political influence from Lynchburg to Roanoke, as Halifax would be taken from the east end and three counties added to the west end of the district. It is also feared that the Sixth would be rendered doubtful politically, as the Republicans, who have ceased to fight of recent years, might pick up courage and make trouble.

So the Sixth District men, including those from Lynchburg and Bedford, have been active in working up sentiment against the bill, and it seems that they might have nearly a majority. The two House members from Halifax also object to going into the Fifth District.

Would Settle by Caucus.
A call for a caucus was circulated first on Tuesday. Senators declined to sign it on the ground that the bill is not in that body, and the House should settle it first. Chairman Cox yesterday morning issued a call, based on a majority of House members, for the meeting last night. At the moment he called the meeting to order, F. W. Smith, of King and Queen, challenged that a majority had signed the call. Mr. Cox said this could be best ascertained by calling the roll. Acting secretary, M. J. McCall, called it, and forty-eight members

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answered, a number of others coming in a little later.

Judge Williams arose and briefly explained the changes made in the bill. The proposition he said, had aroused violent opposition among people, who were conscientious in their position. The changes, he added frankly, were made purely for political purposes, and in view of this a caucus of the Democrats should settle the matter. The party, in his opinion, should have the manhood to meet the issue, and, for his part, he would cheerfully agree to the outcome.

But in view of some confusion regarding the call, and further, because it seemed some members had been taken by surprise, he moved that adjournment be taken to Tuesday night.

Wanted Secret Session.

Mr. Oliver then moved that the caucus go into executive session, so that the proceedings, which might hurt the party, should not be published to the world.

Joseph Stebbins, Jr., of Halifax, said the matter should be settled amicably among Democrats, and that controversies should be avoided. But he felt that the motions made had been premature, in that it had not been determined that the call was legal and that the meeting was regular.

Mr. Cox explained that he had inadvertently signed in his call that a majority had signed a call for a House caucus, whereas the call as originally issued was for a joint caucus of the Senate and House. In view of this, Captain Tipton D. Jennings doubted if the chair had a right to call the meeting. Judge Williams, however, said a meeting could be called by the chairman of his own volition.

Could Be Nothing.

Mr. Stebbins, holding the floor, contended that as Chairman Cox had made a mistake, the body was illegally together. In view of this, he did not think it correct adjourn to meet again at any particular time, or entertain any other motions.

To settle the matter, John W. Stephenson moved that the meeting dissolve. For his part, he had signed the call with the distinct understanding that it was for a joint caucus.

Mr. Oliver insisted upon his motion for an executive session before doing anything. Hugh A. White opposed this, saying that there should be nothing to conceal. The Oliver motion was lost by an overwhelming majority.

Regarding all sorts of points of order, Mr. Cox clinched the situation by putting Mr. Stephenson's motion to dissolve, which was carried, although there were a few noes.

More Increases in Pay Recommended.
At a meeting of the Council Committee on Streets last night bids were opened for a large amount of minor street work and referred to the City Engineer or tabulation and award to the lowest responsible bidder. An increase in the pay of men employed in the hands and carts force from \$2 to \$2.35 per day was recommended to the Council.

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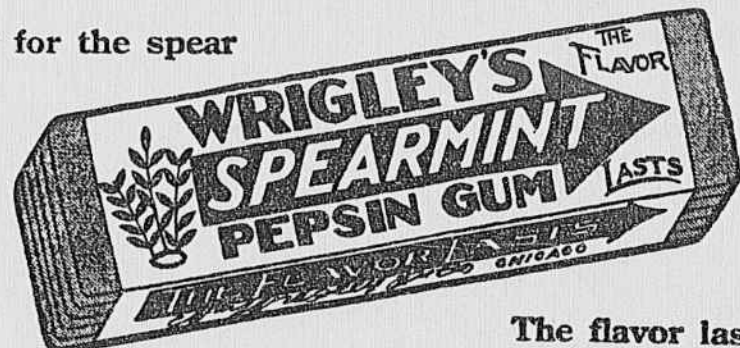
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News of South Richmond

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Joseph E. Johnston Camp, No. 2, United Confederate Veterans, was the guest of honor at a reception given last night by D. L. Toney at the Lafayette House, Twelfth and Hull Streets. At the suggestion of Mr. Toney, Commander E. H. Howie acted as the toastmaster and introduced the speakers. Judge E. H. Wells, of the Hastings Court, was the first to speak, and gave an interesting talk on the war from the viewpoint of a person too young to engage in the struggle. He was followed by Augustine Hagan, who, as a lifelong resident of this section, was able to give an instructive idea of the attitude of Virginia on the question of secession. The longest speech of the evening was delivered by Attorney-General Samuel W. Williams, who carried his hearers over the many battlefields from Manassas to Appomattox. He incidentally touched upon the subject of school histories, declaring that they should not allow the children of the State to use the printed books which were sent to the Board of Public Instruction for approval, he would cut history from the course of study and let the children learn the true facts from the graves and monuments erected over the southern dead.

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bury, and prizes will be awarded to the best dressed man and woman present. The proceeds will be devoted to the relief of the poor of the Southside.

Death of Albert Dowdy.
Albert Dowdy, after four years' illness, died yesterday morning at the home of his sister, Mrs. J. C. Donnelly, 142 Porter Street, after a long illness. Mr. Dowdy is survived by six children.

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Remarkable Christmas Present

Among the curious Christmas presents of this year will be one of the most of national reputation, which has been all year in the making.

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